



Fire burns through Woodview home

By Senior Airman Joe Lacdan
Public Affairs

A fire blazed through a base housing unit in the Woodview neighborhood early Monday morning, causing about \$137,865 in damage.

Only the west unit of the duplex home sustained significant damage, said Master Sgt. Dean Turner, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron deputy fire chief. Four people were in the west unit at the time of the fire but were not injured. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

The flames burned most of the west unit's southern side, which included the garage, kitchen living room and bedroom.

At 1 a.m. Monday, a Woodview resident noticed the smoke coming from the house. Four individuals were asleep at the time of the fire, said James

Tatum, 509th CES Fire Department assistant chief. The neighbor woke the sleeping family and dialed 911.

After firefighters arrived on-scene, the flames were doused and put out in about two minutes. Mr. Tatum said the swift evacuation by the house's occupants, who are currently living in base lodging, helped make their job easier.

"They did a real good job of getting out," Mr. Tatum said. "Everyone evacuated immediately like they were supposed to."

The incident was the first fire in base housing since December 2001, when a power strip shorted out and burned through a floor in one home.

Sergeant Turner credits the CES firefighters for successfully controlling the flames.

"The guys did a phenomenal job," Sergeant Turner said.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Jason Burton

A fire damaged this house in the Woodview section of base housing Monday morning.

Among the Air Force's best

Services senior NCO earns high praise

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Her encounter with death left Senior Airman Karissa Smith speechless. She sat in stoic silence, staring at the coarse desert ground beneath her.

"Are you all right?" said Senior Master Sgt. Donald Carney, the deployed services superintendent. He'd noticed the normally outgoing Airman Smith had become silent.

"Yes, sir," Airman Smith said. But Sergeant Carney knew something was troubling the 21-year old Airman.

Airman Smith had recently joined a mortuary affairs team while deployed to Kirkuk Air Base, Iraq. The group gathered bodies of fallen U.S. troops and prepared them for proper repatriation back to their loved ones in the United States. Airman Smith, the only Airman in the NCO-dominated group, was trying to cope with her first experience preparing the bodies.

Sergeant Carney dealt with the same trauma, as a young Airman seventeen years ago.

As he sat next to Airman Smith, Sergeant Carney told her about his experiences on the mortuary team. In a few minutes Airman Smith was back on her feet.

"He helped a lot of us younger Airmen get through that deployment," Airman Smith said. "He's very approachable. I feel like if I ever have a problem I can go to him."

Sergeant Carney has grown accustomed to helping Airmen. The 20-year Air Force veteran has made it a priority throughout his career, just as his mentors — retired chief master sergeants Larry Hornback and Jim Halvorson taught him.

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Photo by Senior Airman Joe Lacdan

Senior Master Sgt. Donald Carney, 509th Services Squadron, is the Air Force's Services senior NCO of the year.

President picks acting AF secretary

SAN ANTONIO (AFPN) — The president designated Pete Geren to be the acting Secretary of the Air Force on July 29, replacing Michael Dominguez.

The appointment is in accordance with the Federal Vacancies Reform Act, Air Force officials said.

Mr. Geren, who was special assistant to the secretary of defense, assumes his new office as directed in Title 10, United States Code and Air Force directives, Air Force officials said. He took the Department of Defense post in September 2001 with responsibilities in the areas of interagency initiatives, legislative affairs and special projects.

A former Texas congressman 1989 to 1997, Mr. Geren served on the Armed Services, Science and Technology and the Public Works and Transportation committees during his tenure.

Mr. Geren earned his bachelor of science degree from the University of Texas in 1974, and his jurist prudence from the university's law school in 1978.

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Commander's Corner

By Col. Chris Miller

509th Bomb Wing commander

REMEMBERING HISTORY. Sixty years ago two important events happened that changed the course of history. On Aug. 6, 1945, a B-29 Super Fortress from the 509th Composite Group, the "Enola Gay," piloted by Group Commander Col. Paul W. Tibbets, dropped the first atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan. Three days later another B-29, "Bockscar," piloted by 393rd Squadron Commander Maj. Charles W. Sweeney, dropped a second atomic bomb on Nagasaki, Japan. Both cities were severely damaged by the blasts. Within days Japan announced its unconditional surrender and World War II ended shortly afterwards. I want to take a moment to tell you more about those historic days and how our bomb wing came into being.

The 509th Bomb Wing has its historical roots linked to its World War II ancestor, the 509th Composite Group commanded by Colonel Tibbets. Prior to leading the 509th, Colonel Tibbets was an experienced World War II bomber pilot who flew 25 missions in B-17s, including the first American Flying Fortress raid against occupied Europe. He also led the first bombardment missions in support of the North African campaign. In March 1943, he returned to the states to test the war fighting capability of Boeing's new Super Fortress, the B-29. His combat leadership skills combined with his in-depth knowledge of the B-29 made him a natural choice to lead the strike force for the atomic bomb program.

In September 1944, Colonel Tibbets was first briefed on the Manhattan Project, the code name for the development of the atom bomb. The 29-year-old colonel was responsible for organizing, training and equipping a unit capable of delivering nuclear weapons in combat operations. The development of the weapon was top-secret and Colonel Tibbets was told by his superiors that if his unit needed anything for their mission, he only had to say the code word "Silverplate" and his request would be honored without question.

One of the unit's first requests was for 15 brand new B-29s. The B-29 was the only airplane with the range and capabilities to conduct heavy bomber operations against the Japanese homeland. However, in order to carry a 10,000 pound bomb, major modifications to the aircraft had to be made. The armor plating and all the gun turrets except for the tail position were stripped out. Fuel-injected engines and reversible-pitch propellers were installed and the bomb bay had to be re-configured so it could suspend one very large bomb. All of these changes made the aircraft about 7,000 pounds lighter than a typical B-29 and enabled it to fly higher, faster and above the effective range of anti-aircraft fire.

To conduct the mission, Colonel Tibbets selected the 393d Bombardment Squadron as the core of the new group. Training missions were flown out of Wendover Army Air Field, Utah. Then on Dec. 17, 1944, the Army Air Forces issued formal orders activating the 509th Composite Group, consisting of seven subordinate units. In March 1945 the First Ordnance Squadron, a unit designed to carry out the technical phases of the group responsibilities, became part of the 509th. The personnel count for the

group consisted of more than 1,500 enlisted members and 200 officers.

The aircrews and maintainers of the 509th Composite Group were engaged in intensive training under a cloak of secrecy. They flew practice missions designed specifically to prepare for a high altitude release of a single bomb. The crews also conducted an escape maneuver that would help them avoid the shock wave that could potentially damage or destroy the aircraft. From November 1944 to June 1945, the 509th trained continually for their mission and on April 26, 1945, Colonel Tibbets declared the group ready. Soon the 509th began to move to their new home at North Field, Tinian in the Marianas. This location was only 1,450 miles from Tokyo and by June 1945, the entire group had arrived on the island where they began another period of intense training.

On the afternoon of Aug. 5, 1945, President Harry S. Truman gave his approval to use the weapons against Japan. Prior to receiving orders for the Hiroshima mission, the aircraft that would drop the atom bomb was not named. Colonel Tibbets decided it should have a name for the historic mission and had "Enola Gay" painted on the nose, naming the airplane after his mother, Enola Gay Tibbets. The 509th commander made other security changes on the marking of the group's aircraft. These changes were based on the assumption that the Japanese had noticed B-

29s with 509th markings dropping special practice bombs. Colonel Tibbets ordered a disguise for the Enola Gay. He had a big black letter R (the insignia of another unit on Tinian, the 313th Bomb Wing) painted on the tail, replacing the 509th's distinctive arrow in a circle. Also for security, Colonel Tibbets changed his call sign from "Victor" to "Dimples". The Enola Gay flew the mission as "Dimples Eight Two".

At 2:45 a.m. Aug. 6, the Enola Gay lifted off North Field with Colonel Tibbets and his crew en route to Hiroshima. At exactly 9:15 a.m. and 15 seconds the world's first atomic bomb exploded, and on Aug. 9 another atomic bomb was dropped on Japan. As we remember these historic dates, it is important for us to commemorate the men and women who came before us and to remember all of the people who have lost their lives in World War II. This is also a time for us to reflect upon the important lessons we learn from studying history and to apply those lessons to help solve today's challenges.

Sure our technology has evolved, but we still face many of the same issues. Our Air Force needs people trained and ready to respond to a variety of missions. We must be mentally and physically prepared to go into harms way and we must always find better ways to take care of our most important resource -- our people.

A family mission



Photo by Staff Sgt. Neo Martin

Team Whiteman members begin the warrior run dedicated to Tech. Sgt. Luke Ford July 29. The the base community banded together to exercise and raise more than \$3,500 for Sergeant Ford's family prior to his collapse after an early morning run July 17.

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Chief Master Sgt. Paul Airey

First chief master sergeant of the Air Force

Chief Master Sgt. Sam Parish

Eighth chief master sergeant of the Air Force

News in Brief

Student enrollment set

New student enrollment at Knob Noster and Whiteman Elementary schools takes place 8 a.m.-3 p.m. today. Kindergarten screening for Knob Noster Elementary takes place 8 a.m.-noon Monday. For more details or an appointment, call 563-3019. Kindergarten Screening for Whiteman Elementary takes place 8 a.m.-noon Thursday. For more details or an appointment, call 563-3028. Both elementary schools will hold their Open House on Aug. 18. Whiteman Elementary's open house will be 6-7 p.m. and Knob Noster Elementary's open house will be 6:30-7:30 p.m. The first day of school for district students is Aug. 22.

Death announcement

Col. Chris Miller, 509th Bomb Wing commander, regretfully announces the death of Staff Sgt. Douglas Flowers, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to Sgt. Flowers' estate should call 1st Lt. Derek Williamson, 509th LRS summary courts officer, at 687-6197.

Hydrant flushing scheduled

The Whiteman utilities office will be performing fire hydrant flushing Aug. 15-19. Base members may notice discoloration of potable water. Users should allow the faucet to run until the water clears and the water will be safe for human consumption. For more details, call Tech. Sgt. Jerry Alquist at 687-4259.

Around the Air Force

Moving process changes

The process of servicemembers moving their household goods – virtually unchanged for many years – is about to transform. The Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command is developing a new process called "Families First," scheduled to launch Feb. 1, 2006. Families First is designed to alleviate some of the stress of moving by involving the servicemembers in the process and giving them a voice in how their personal property is moved.

Force shaping evolves

The Air Force achieved its congressional-mandated active-duty end strength of 359,700 Airmen for fiscal 2005. The Air Force had exceeded that ceiling until now. Force Shaping Phase II initiatives successfully reduced the overall size of the force; however, the Air Force still has more officers than authorized, and Phase II will continue into the next fiscal year, beginning Oct. 1.

Two force-shaping initiatives for the enlisted force will be retained: the "Blue to Green" option and the career job reservation program. For Air Force officers, force-shaping opportunities are available until the service meets its end strength numbers for 2006.

Idea earns Whiteman NCOs big check

New concept saves command millions

By Senior Airman Joe Lacdan

Public Affairs

Observation and a few scribbles on a sticky note earned two Whiteman senior NCOs a fat paycheck.

Master Sgt. Brian Murray, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, and Senior Master Sgt. Rich Jewell, 509th Maintenance Group, each received a \$5,000 check from Air Combat Command for their innovation.

In 2002, a B-2's BRU-44 bomb ejector rack suffered aggressive erosion inside the gas generator housing. The erosion was severe enough to warrant limitations on successive firings. Firing more than 25

times could cause a catastrophic burn through the bomb rack housing, threatening the safety of the aircraft and crew.

Hot, high pressure gases are needed to create the energy required to push weapons out of weapons bays. The gas pressure that caused the erosion, Sergeant Murray said.

Previously, the life cycle of the stainless steel gas housings could sustain a minimum of 50 firings, but erosion limited firings to a maximum of 25.

"On the original design there was a replaceable tip on the gas tube where it enters the gas generator housing," Sergeant Murray said. "This was supposed to be the wear point for the erosion. That was not the case."

With help from Sergeant Jewell, and the use of a post-it sticky pad, they devised a solution. Gas had been directed into the

rack at a sharp 90 degree angle which contributed to the housing's aggressive material deterioration.

"The solution was to make the replaceable part extend down farther into the housing and have a 45 degree transition for the gases instead of a (sharp) 90 degree turn," Sergeant Murray said. "When the erosion happens, we could replace a \$175 part instead of the \$17,000 housing."

After approval from ACC, their idea was pitted against one from Scot Industries, the original designer and producer of the BRU-44 B/A bomb rack.

Sergeant Murray and Sergeant Jewell's idea proved to be easier to replace, more resistant to erosion and cheaper to manufacture, Sergeant Murray said.

Their efforts saved the command about \$8.7 million.

Carlson bids 8th Air Force farewell

By Lt. Gen. Bruce Carlson

8th Air Force commander

I would like to take this opportunity to express what an honor it has been to command one of the Air Force's most historic and respected commands.

For more than three years I've had the pleasure of working with enlisted members, officers and civilians of the Mighty Eighth. You've accomplished the mission our nation entrusted you with superbly, and contributed to the command's rich legacy of selfless service. You have been at the forefront of our country's battles and served as the bearers of hope and guardians of peace. For that you deserve our nation's gratitude, and you certainly have mine.

There have been a host of changes in Eighth Air Force over the last three years. A few of the milestones include opening the Strategic Command Combined Air Operations Center, standing up

the 608th Strategic Operations Squadron, activating 8th Air Force Detachment 1 and reopening the 8th Air Force Headquarters

building. Not to mention the successful Joint Expeditionary Force Experiment '04, Blue Flag '05, and the many exercises that proved our resolve and competence. It has been a busy time for all of us. Through innovation you've taken this command to the leading edge of modern war fighting. You've made valuable contributions in the Global War on Terrorism and added to the proud heritage of Eighth Air Force.

Vicki and I have thoroughly enjoyed the hospitality of the Bossier City and Shreveport communities. From the very beginning you have welcomed us with open arms. We'll recall with fondness the fine people and lasting friendships we've made in the community, and from bases around the command.

It's been my privilege and honor to lead this team. I am proud of your accomplishments. You have my deepest respect, as you continue to carry Eighth Air Force's proud tradition of excellence into the future.



Freezer Tag



Photo by Airman 1st Class Lauren Padden

Defense Commissary Agency employees Trish Lendermon and Mike McMinn place price tags on shelves in new freezer units in the frozen foods department at the commissary July 25. The 28 new freezer units are part of the \$7.3 million budget to renovate the commissary. The official grand re-opening of the commissary is set for February 2006.

509er passes away

Tech. Sgt. Luke C.A. Ford, a 509th Mission Support Squadron Airman, died July 30 at Research Medical Center in Kansas City, Kan. Sergeant Ford collapsed after an early morning run July 17 and never regained consciousness. Sergeant Ford arrived here in August 2003 and served as an airman leadership school instructor. Sergeant Ford instructed, molded, led and challenged 419 future NCOs.

The 31-year-old Airman was born in Fullerton, Calif., but moved to Crowell, Texas, when he was 9. He was a 1991 graduate of Crowell High School. Sergeant Ford earned Community College of the Air Force degrees in mechanical and electrical technology, and as instructor of technology and military science. He graduated from ALS in December 1997 and earned the John L. Levitow and Academic Achievement awards.

After joining the Air Force in May 1992, Sergeant Ford attended the Missile and Space Facilities Technical School at Chanute Air Force Base, Ill. His first assignment brought him to the 351st Facilities Missile Maintenance Squadron at Whiteman, where he met his wife, Lori. In April 1995, he was assigned to the 791st Missile Maintenance Squadron, Grand Forks AFB, N.D. After serving four years at



Sergeant Ford

Grand Forks, he was reassigned to the 532nd Training Squadron, Vandenberg AFB, Calif. He remained there until his reassignment to Whiteman in August 2003.

"Luke was a thoughtful and very professional NCO who will be deeply missed by everyone who knew him," said Master Sgt. Darla Rush, Whiteman's ALS flight chief.

A funeral service begins at 10:30 a.m. today at Northside Christian Church in Warrensburg. He will be buried at the Veteran's Memorial Cemetery in Higginsville, Mo.

Sergeant Ford's awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal, Air Force Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with three oak leaf clusters, Air Force Good Conduct Medal with three oak leaf clusters, National Defense Service Medal with one bronze star, Humanitarian Service Medal, Air Force Longevity Ribbon with two oak leaf clusters, NCO Professional Military Education Graduate Ribbon and Basic Military Training Ribbon.

Sergeant Ford is survived by his wife, Lori, their two sons, Nathan and Christian, his mother, Madeline, and three brothers, Mark Jr., Albert and Matthew.

Promotees honored at ceremony Monday

Airmen

Jorge Newman

509th Logistics Readiness Squadron
Barret Chappelle, Brandon Richards,
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Devin Bos, Erika Zaler, James Hall III,
Mathew Calloway and Rosie Munoz
509th Security Forces Squadron

Airmen 1st Class

Beau Kneaream

509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron
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509th Medical Operations Squadron
Ameia Moorestone, Brooke Carie,
Erik Wertman, Joshua Pipp,
Kenada Williams, Lauren Frey,
Lucas Bridges, Michael Dagnan,
Michael Flahive and Scott Williams
509th SFS
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509th Services Squadron

Senior Airmen

Sarah Green

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Christopher Mackenberg,
Dwight Green, Jessica Wrestler,
Michael Delucy and Stephen Myers
509th AMXS
Monica Lopez, Alvah Mills Jr.,
Christian Lyon, Jason Lathrop
and Shannon Shibles
509th CES
Victor Ko,
509th CS
Richard Fairweather III,
Richie Varino and Shannon Hendershot
509th LRS
David Barton, Joseph Sepulveda,
Justin Meyer, Kristopher Harris
and Steven Klepacki
509th MXS
Adam Peterson, Danny Dodson Jr.,
Dustin Krupa, Hoyoon Chung
and Joshua Turner
509th Munitions Squadron
Sharla Fossen
509th Operations Support Squadron
Brandon Jefferson, Chad Stewart,
Christopher Marino, Crystal Rankin,
Damian Frenzel, Dustin Drake,
Jennifer June and Robert Allen
509 SFS

Staff Sergeants

Jeremy Collins,

325th Bomb Squadron;
Jonathan Barfield, Graham Durall,
Andrew Martin, Joseph Morgan,
Brian Perez and Justin Petree,
509th AMXS
Tracy Jackson, and Neoklis Martin Jr.
509th Bomb Wing
Noah Bolton and John Talbott,
509th Civil Engineer Squadron;
Edward Yacoboizzi,
509th LRS
Erik Powell,
509th Maintenance Group;
Michael Badilla, Freddy Davis,
Manley Eubanks and Christopher Roegler
509th Maintenance Squadron;
Angela Smith,
509th MUNS
Alexander Young,
509th OSS
Chandler Bearup, Samuel Cruz Jr,
Michael Herrera, Jered Jones,
Joshua Lyons, Joshua Miner
Joshua White and William Pleasants,
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509th Services Squadron
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Technical Sergeants

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509th CPTS
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509th LRS
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509th MUNS
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509th AMXS
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It's that philosophy that helped Sergeant Carney earn the Air Force Services Senior NCO of the Year honors.

"He does everything beyond the normal scope of what a superintendent does," said Master Sgt. Mark Hamrick, 509th Services Squadron food services superintendent.

In addition to making periodic visits to the Ozark Inn, the fitness center and the Whiteman Inn, he established an "open-door" policy. Any Airman in his squadron can approach him for advice or counsel, he said.

Sergeant Carney has earned numerous commendation medals

for his service in places like Bosnia, Hungary, Croatia and Iraq. He has also earned honors at the squadron, group and command level. But he said the real value of his work doesn't lie in those honors. It lies in those he's worked with.

"Being surrounded by good people is what drives you to do

great things," he said.

He also helps services Airmen realize the importance of preparing a meal, providing a comfortable lodging room or maintaining accessible fitness equipment.

"I try to re-enforce and get them to understand that prior to any sortie generation, people have to eat, they need to work out and they need to have their families taken care of," Sergeant Carney said.

Sergeant Carney said he makes sure he meets each new services Airman. He also lets them know how their job affects the rest of the 509th. He also gives Airmen a first-hand view of B-2 operations by helping

coordinate tours.

Today his door remains open for fellow squadron members, for Airmen unsure of what direction their career is going or even Airmen dealing with personal turmoil.

Problems like coping with the shock that mortuary cases in a combat zone.

"He does everything beyond the normal scope of what a superintendent does."

Chipping the old block



Photo by Staff Sgt. Neo Martin

A heavy equipment jackhammer pounds through the concrete apron near Bldg. S-6 as a backhoe helps to remove rubble. The construction is being performed to repair a damaged portion of the apron to ensure aircraft safety. The airfield work is being performed by Townsco of Oklahoma, a contractor that specializes in airfield repair.

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Test to better assess language proficiency

By Donna Miles
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON (AFPN) — A new language test scheduled to roll out in October will better measure language fluency in real-world situations, the Defense Department’s senior language official said July 13.

The new test is the fifth generation of the Defense Language Proficiency Test, a battery of tests used to assess native English speakers’ reading and listening skills in a wide range of foreign languages, said Gail McGinn, deputy undersecretary of defense for plans.

The so-called “DLPT 5” test will be more challenging than previous language tests, Ms. McGinn said, with longer passages and, in some cases, more than one question for each passage. The test will be computer-based, making it more secure and efficient to administer. And unlike past tests that Ms. McGinn described as “scripted,” the new test will rely more on actual newspapers, magazine articles and radio broadcasts.

“We want a test that measures as accurately as possible one’s ability to operate in the real world,” Ms. McGinn said.

Toward that end, the new language proficiency test will better measure each tester’s skills in selected languages, at levels ranging from a low of zero-plus to a high of four on the Interagency Language Roundtable scale. Five is the highest level on the scale.

The new test will become “the benchmark” for DOD to assess who in the force has language skills and how proficient they are. By better measuring language skills, the new test will allow DOD officials to identify and reward those with the highest proficiency levels, Ms. McGinn said.

Test scores are part of the formula for determining language proficiency pay for language professionals and servicemembers with specific language skills. Congress recently authorized increasing the cap on language proficiency pay from \$300 to \$1,000, but Ms. McGinn said that not all language professionals will receive the full amount.

The new test and higher language proficiency pay are keys to the Defense Language Transformation Roadmap, a major initiative to develop foreign language and cultural expertise among its military and civilian members. The initiative aims to increase language and cultural expertise within the ranks and to establish a cadre of language specialists with advanced proficiency levels.

The world situation demands that the Defense Department maintains solid language and cultural capabilities so it is prepared to carry out its missions worldwide — from humanitarian and reconstruction efforts to combat operations, Ms. McGinn said.

“We are building alliances, we are engaged in operations in the Middle East, we are engaged in the war on terror, (and) we need to understand and interact with the people around us,” she said.

The rollout schedule for the new test begins in October for Albanian, Persian-Dari, Hindi, Pashto, Norwegian and Urdu. DLPT-5 tests for Russian and Iraqi are scheduled to debut in December, and early 2006 rollouts are planned for Chinese Mandarin, Spanish and Korean.

New tests are also under development for a variety of other languages, including Egyptian, Levantine, Modern Standard Arabic, Persian-Farsi, Greek, Kurdish-Sorani, Turkish, Serbian-Croatian and Japanese. Ultimately, the DLPT-5 could cover as many as 31 languages.

Ms. McGinn urged test takers to begin their homework now using authentic materials available on the Internet and in other sources, and encouraged supervisors to reinforce the need to prepare. The Defense Language Institute has developed an Internet site and Global Language Support System with materials and exercises to help test takers prepare.

If you would like to sign up to take a language test or for more details, call Angela Moore at 687-1748.

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— Gail H. McGinn

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By Capt. Jeff Biller
509th Bomb Wing Legal Office

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The first step is to look for privacy notices from financial companies in the mail. Most non-bank mortgage lenders, loan brokers, financial or investment advisers, tax preparers, providers of real estate settlement services, and debt collectors are required to provide consumers with an explanation of their information-sharing practices. Beware! These notices may look like junk mail, so be sure to open any mail from financial companies that you deal with.

These privacy notices must include the following items: the type of information the company collects; with whom

it shares that information; and how it safeguards information. Consumers with a long-term relationship will receive automatic privacy notices. If you have limited or one-time dealings with a company, you may only receive a privacy notice if the company shares your information with unaffiliated companies.

If you are concerned about the information these companies are sharing, you can prevent some of that information from being shared. The privacy notice must explain the procedure for preventing the company from sharing that information. However, not all information is subject to these protections. For example, if the information is public and can be discovered through other means, it is not subject to these protections.

Junk mail can be a pain and it is tempting to just throw it away. However, taking a few minutes to read mail from financial institutions you have used may provide important details for protecting your financial information. It may also help reduce your junk mail pile in the future.

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Highway cleanup



Photo by Staff Sgt. Neo Martin

Staff Sgt. Alan Reynolds, 509th Communications Squadron, Tech. Sgt. Tammy Klonowski, 509th Mission Support Squadron, and her daughter Ashley Klonowski, and Alyssa Simpson, pick up trash on Hwy. 23 during the Tier 2 Highway cleanup. Alyssa is the daughter of Tech. Sgt. Karen Simpson, 509th MSS, and Master Sgt. Scott Simpson, 509th Munitions Squadron.

Farewell Chief

Retired Chief Master Sgt. Bill Barnes is leaving the Air Force family after 54 years. Chief Barnes retired while stationed here in 1977 with 27 years of active duty service. After retiring he served the Whiteman community by working in military benefits and has worked at the base exchange here for the past 12 years. Due to medical problems, today is his last day of work at Whiteman. "I have come to work through the gate here everyday for the past 32 years," Chief Barnes said. "Whiteman, keep up the good work."



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A helping hand

When hope dims a reservist finds help

By Staff Sgt. Leo Brown
442nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs

Jennifer Gould prays quite a bit these days, but her prayers over the last month or so have turned from pleas to thanksgiving.

Gould, a staff sergeant with the 442nd Civil Engineer Squadron, was recently facing a Class C misdemeanor and possible jail time due to her leaking septic tank (and, thus, potentially losing her four children and her Farley, Mo., house).

"I prayed every day," Sergeant Gould, an administrative specialist, said. "I couldn't understand why this was all happening. I just kept thinking, 'I hope God doesn't let me end up in jail. What is his intention? Why is he doing this?'"

Answering legal charges, however, was just the latest crisis she faced over the last few years. Abbi, her 16-year old daughter, suffers from juvenile diabetes. "Three times, a doctor has told me that she shouldn't be alive," Sergeant Gould said. Also, her house caught fire in November of 2003 and her car needed repairs over the last year. Working two waitressing jobs, plus her Air Force Reserve work, and trying to parent three daughters and one son, the days were getting dark for Sergeant Gould.

Desperate, she brought her worries to 442nd Fighter Wing Chaplain (Capt.) Roland Reitz on the Saturday of the wing's May unit training assembly. It proved to be a major turning point for her.

"When I prayed with the base chaplain and he put his hands on my hands, it felt like the first time in my life that I really prayed. He told me it was going to be OK and 10 minutes before that, I knew it wasn't going to be OK," Sergeant Gould said.

Chaplain Reitz's prediction was accurate, at least for the time being, as Sergeant Gould, aided by Capt. Joe Walter, 442nd Military Personnel Flight commander and other

wing members, was put in touch with Bob Berger of the 509th Bomb Wing's Family Support Center. He, in turn, put Sergeant Gould in touch with Pat Kerr, of the Missouri Veteran's Commission, who has produced "stay out of jail" cards, in a sense, for Sergeant Gould, in the form of rallying Kansas City area folks to donate the required septic system, including the digging and installation.

"If I was doing this myself," Sergeant Gould said. "I would've been in a straight jacket. A friend asked me why I didn't become an alcoholic and I said, 'I can't afford it.' Before I talked to the chaplain I was ready to give up."

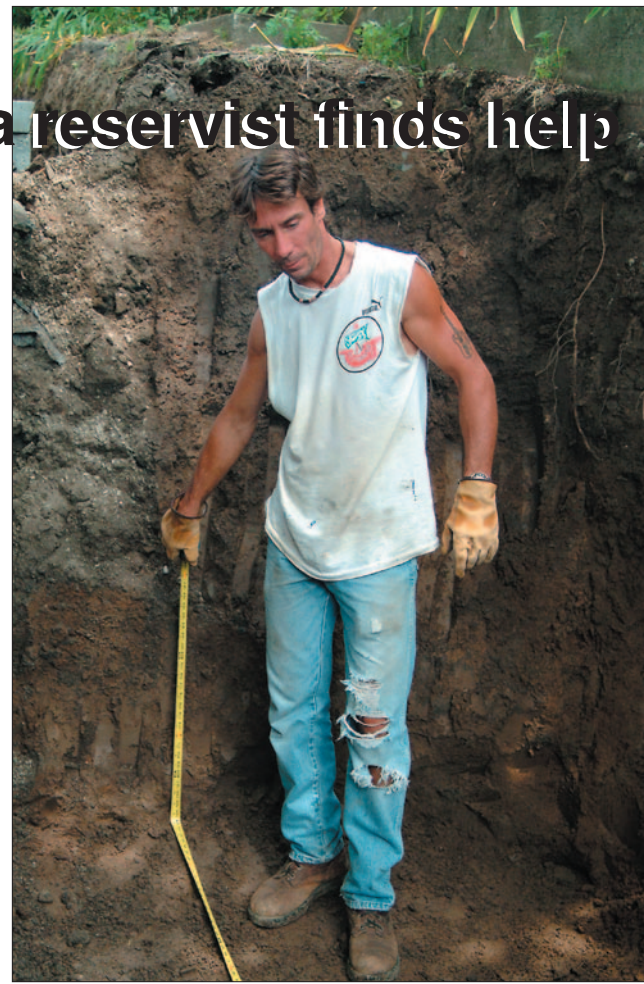
"We were doing laundry in a laundry mat, eating off paper plates. It's grotesque," she said. "My oldest two (children) just told me that we've always been OK and they knew I'd make this OK. But that scared me tremendously because I didn't know I could make it OK."

"We would haul water in containers to the house," said Sergeant Gould. "I have neighbors who let us use their shower. We weren't using too many dishes. There were a lot of things going through my mind. I didn't want to lose the house (the family has lived there eight years). This is our home. We built and remodeled and rehabbed it. Then we had a fire and we've rehabbed it again. A lot of our love has gone into our house. It's not much, but it's our home."

"My children (Jullian, 18, Abbi, Amellia, 12 and Charles, 11) have never complained," she said. "They have been through some ordeals."

There is light, however, at the end of the (septic) tunnel. Shortly before Sergeant Gould's June 28 court date, Kerr called Sergeant Gould's judge, and the judge granted a one-month "continuance" on Sergeant Gould's sentencing. She also contacted Randy Murray, chief marketing officer of Forever Enterprises and the Mt. Washington Forever Cemetery and Funeral Home in Independence, Mo. Murray and

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Courtesy photo

Mike Paulin, Bonner Springs (Kan.) Septic Service measures the excavation that will accommodate the second of two replacement septic tanks donated to Staff Sgt. Jennifer Gould, 442nd Civil Engineer Squadron, through the Missouri Veteran's Commission.

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Army drops in on local community

By Army 2nd Lt. Nathan Smith
1/135th Aviation Battalion

The Missouri Army National Guard helped to break up the daily workouts for the Lion's Club All-Star Football team and show Kansas City high schoolers another opportunity at Central Missouri State University, July 20.

MOARNG members, Chief Warrant Officer Greg Carter and 1st Lt. Fin Carey, flew to campus from the Army National Guard unit located here. They gave the Lion's All-Stars a presentation on the capabilities and missions of the unit's aircraft, the AH-64A Apache. "Performing the duties of a Soldier in an attack helicopter battalion can be tough; therefore, doing a static display with the Lion's Club All-Star Football Team should produce some good recruits as the All-Stars have proven that they are capable of working hard to achieve their goals," said Carter.

The second group was from the Summer Bridge Program from Kansas City. The program offers 30 Kansas City, Mo., students the opportunity to spend three weeks at Central Missouri State University preparing for college life. "The students were excited about seeing the aircraft," said Carey. The students were told about the benefits of the Missouri National Guard so they have more options available to them as they complete their high school careers.

This event was coordinated with National Guard Recruiting. "The Missouri Army National Guard is always pleased to work with our local communities when possible. The support our communities give day in and day out is unbelievably



Photo by Army 2nd Lt. Nathan Smith

Army 1st Lt. Fin Carey and Army Chief Warrant Officer Greg Carter prepare to exit the AH-64A Apache to talk with the Lion's All-Stars football team. The 1/135th Aviation Battalion members visited the team at Central Missouri State University July 20.

gracious. As always the Missouri Army National Guard is looking for men and women that want to help defend freedom and be a part of a team fighting the global war on terrorism here and abroad," said Army Sgt. 1st Class James Vandergriff.

The recruiting office in Warrensburg is located at 343 E. Gay St., call 660-422-8692 for more details.

High-tech mapping



Photos by Senior Airman Joe Lacdan

Airman 1st Class Aryan Ellis, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, uses an Auto-Level to transfer a known elevation from one benchmark to 10 other benchmarks placed around the installation. This data will be used to provide centimeter accurate measurements for many different base projects ranging from installing new sewer lines to identifying airfield obstructions.

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A slice of 509th history 60 years ago



Brig. Gen. Paul Tibbets, Jr., then colonel, stands in front of his B-29 Superfortress, the Enola Gay, at Roswell Army Air Field, New Mexico. General Tibbets flew the plane over Hiroshima, Japan where the crew dropped the first atomic bomb. General Tibbets' grandson, Lt. Col. Paul Tibbets III, is a member of the 325th Bomb Squadron here. (U.S. Air Force photo)



Saturday marks the 60th anniversary of one of 509th's most historic moments. The crew of the Enola Gay, a B-29 assigned to the 509th Composite Group, dropped the first atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan, Aug. 6, 1945. Three days later, another B-29 named Bockscar dropped a second atomic bomb on Nagasaki, Japan. The Japanese surrendered to Allied terms on Aug. 14, 1945 and War World II came to an end. Above: The planning of the first atomic bombing mission. (photo courtesy of <http://www.maxwell.af.mil>)

The forging of a wing

Courtesy of the 509th Bomb Wing history office

Dec. 17, 1944 – Under the command of Col. Paul Tibbets, Jr., the 509th Composite Group was activated at Wendover Army Air Field, Utah. At the same time, the 393rd Bomb Squadron became the group's first bomb squadron.

April 26, 1945 – Elements of the 509th left Wendover Army Air Field, Utah, and headed for North Field, Tinian in the Marianas Islands.

May 29, 1945 – The group became whole once again when the final echelon arrived at Tinian Island.

June 30, 1945 – The 509th began flying practice missions against Japanese positions on Truk and Marcus Island targets, providing the crews with valuable radar, bombing and navigation practice.

July 20, 1945 – The 509th began striking targets in mainland Japan.

Aug. 6, 1945 – At 2:45 a.m., Colonel Tibbets took off from North Field, Tinian Island in the specially modified B-29 Enola Gay. At 9:11 a.m. he began a bomb run over Hiroshima, Japan. Four minutes later at an altitude of 29,000 feet, the bombardier, Maj. Thomas W. Ferebee, dropped the world's first atomic weapon.

Aug. 9, 1945 – Maj. Charles Sweeney, in the B-29 Bockscar, dropped a second atomic weapon on Nagasaki, Japan. Realizing the futility of continuing their war effort, the Japanese surrendered ten days later.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Ryan Wilson

THE GREAT ARTISTE '05

Top right: The Great Artist was the B-29 that accompanied both the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombing missions and dropped scientific instruments to measure the bombs yield. (U.S. Air Force photo) Above: A replica of the historic plane sits near Whiteman's Spirit Gate today.



The Enola Gay crew gathers for a photo opportunity. The B-29 Enola Gay was named after the mother of Col. Paul Tibbets, Jr., 509th Composite Group commander. (photo courtesy of <http://www.maxwell.af.mil>)

Play day



Photo by Staff Sgt. Neo Martin

Ty'Shana Forrest, daughter of Staff Sgt. Denise Forrest, 509th Services Squadron, prepares to roll a ball during a game of indoor bocce at the youth center. The Whiteman Family Member Support Flight hosts National Kids' Day events 9 a.m.-noon Saturday. For more details, call Debbie Ker-mick at 687-3196 or visit <http://kidsday.net>.

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Kerr met at the Veterans of Foreign Wars annual convention in late June.

“She told me about Jennifer’s condition,” Murray said. “We have the backhoes to do the digging and we could provide the septic tanks. I was never in a position to serve (in the military) and it’s kind of like we’re doing what we can to give back when so many people are sacrificing for our country. It’s humbling when you’re dealing with the great folks of the armed services.”

Gould said the bill for the removal of the old septic system and the installation of the new system (two 1,000-gallon tanks) had been estimated from \$6,000 to \$11,000. Murray thinks his company’s donations reduced that by roughly \$3,500.

Others have generously chipped in time and material.

“We had to get an advanced licensed installer and that’s John Edlin with Edlin Plumbing out of Platte City, Mo.,” Sergeant Gould said. “He’s pretty much donating his time. In addition to that, he got his supplier and Eddie Bjorgaard of Bonner Springs Septic (from Bonner Springs, Kan.) got his supplier to donate materials needed or come down on prices. The pump company (Express Septic of Kansas City, Kan.) donated the pumping (of the old system).”

Kerr said \$1,200 in donations is still needed to cover the remaining costs. Also, she is trying to find volunteers to help paint the Gould home. Despite these remaining obstacles, Sergeant Gould is resting a bit easier.

“When everyone left (after the first day),” Sergeant Gould said, “I actually started hyperventilating. I almost had an anxiety attack. It was just too much to take in.”

“The support was absolutely incredible. Nothing was going right (for her). I never would’ve thought there was this type of help available,” said Tech. Sergeant Robin Smith, Sergeant Gould’s supervisor. “I had to do a lot of encouraging with her. I sent her to family support, but I didn’t have that much hope. We didn’t have any idea of the vast amount of help available to people.”

“I connected the dot that connected the big dot,” said Bob Berger, a community readiness consultant with the 509th Family Support Center, in referring to his contact with Kerr. “The funny thing is the first time I got a hold of Pat she was (preparing) to go before a Senate subcommit-

tee (in Washington D.C.) talking about the plight of service members and what they need to do to help folks, especially when they deploy. (She’s an) angel. She was able to call the judge and get a stay for Jennifer’s proceedings. She works wonders.

“She’s connecting the folks whose circumstances just overwhelm them sometimes and it’s really not their fault. (Sergeant Gould’s) is a special case. That doesn’t mean we can’t help other folks. The Family Support Center is here to help. We can do referrals if we can’t help,” he said.

Kerr said military members need to “know they aren’t alone. Our American citizens want to say thank you and I firmly believe it’s the responsibility of every citizen to help when (military) folks need support. You guys (military members) are making our place safe.”

“Don’t decide in advance that there’s nothing available,” Sergeant Smith said. “Always check to find out. I have an ex-fiance who always said, ‘If you don’t ask, the answer is always, no.’” If you don’t ask for help, you don’t get it.”

“(Sergeant Gould) was very humbled by the fact that they were doing all this for her and she didn’t feel worthy of it,” Sergeant Smith said. “She told (Pat Kerr) she would love to be able to pay back (their generosity). Pat said, ‘I will assign you this Marine (and his family) who’s having problems’ and they are giving Jennifer work to do ... on the spot. It’s military helping military, you know?”

“It’s a tremendous honor for me to help Pat,” Sergeant Gould said. “I’ve never felt so excited in my life. This is a high. The only thing I have is my home and my children. But if this wouldn’t have been resolved, I wouldn’t have had either of these things. (Pat’s) the sweetest woman in the world. If anyone wants to give back and doesn’t know how to, one way is by helping the (Missouri) Veteran’s Commission.”

“In the mornings, I’m having my cup of coffee sitting on (the new septic tanks),” Sergeant Gould said. “They’re the most beautiful tanks I’ve seen in my life.”

Pat Kerr, with the Missouri Veteran's Commission can be contacted at (573) 522-4220 or by e-mail at pat.kerr@mvc.dps.mo.gov for more information.

Master Sgt. Bill Huntington contributed to this story.

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Education

For more details, visit the education center Web site at <https://wwwmil.whiteman.af.mil/509mss/educ/home-page.htm>

CCAF orientation briefing

There will be a Community College of the Air Force orientation briefing held 8:30-10:30 a.m. Aug. 16 at the training and education services Bldg. 145, Room 20. If you would like to learn more about the CCAF degree and what it can do for your career, find out what the requirements are and how you can complete them, and receive an individual evaluation of your current degree progress, call 687-5753.

Community

Top 3 schedules fundraiser

The Whiteman Top 3 we will have a car wash 10 a.m.-5 p.m. today in the base exchange parking lot to raise funds for the senior NCO induction ceremony Aug. 12 and the annual enlisted luau Aug. 26. The rain date is Monday.

Enlisted spouses throw pool party

The Whiteman Enlisted Spouses Club are hosting a membership pool party Wednesday from 6-10 p.m. at the base pool. For more details call Jessica Bogedain at 660-563-3295.

Singles mingle Sundays

Singles can meet at 6 p.m. Sundays for the chapel-sponsored Singles in the Sun event. Attendees meet at the gazebo behind the dormitories. For more details, call 687-3652.

The gang's all here



Photo by Staff Sgt. Neo Martin

Participants in the Missoula Children's Theater rendition of "The Jungle Book" practice Tuesday.

Youth act out in play today

Missoula Children's Theater Whiteman youth center hosts their rendition of "The Jungle Book" at 3 and 7 p.m. today at the youth center. Tickets cost \$2, children under 5 are free. For more details, call 687-5586.

CASK meeting set for Aug. 12

A Caring Adults Special Kids meeting takes place 6:30-8 p.m. Aug. 12 in the family support center. CASK is a support group for parents of special-needs children. For more details, call Jennifer Greenslit at 660-266-2493 or e-mail jrgreenslit@charter.net, or call Delia Everett at 660-287-3704 or e-mail her at geertje63lief@yahoo.com.

AF ball tickets go on sale Aug. 15

Tickets for the 2005 Whiteman Air Force Ball go on sale Aug. 15. The event takes place 6 p.m. Sept. 17 in the 442nd 5-bay hangar. For tickets contact your first sergeant.

Family Support

Call 687-7132 for more details on these family support center activities. Events take place at the FSC.

Pre-separation briefing set

A pre-separation briefing for people separating from the military begins at 9 a.m. Monday. Representatives from the military personnel flight, family support center, Air Force Reserve and finance will provide information. The MPF separations and retirements office schedules members for this briefing. For more details, call 687-1500 or 687-6720.

WIC representative visits base

A WIC representative is available beginning at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday. WIC includes nutrition education, health promotion and a supplemental food program to help women, infants and children who have nutritional needs. For more details, call the WIC office in Warrensburg at 660-747-2012.

Class helps with move

A mandatory stateside smooth move seminar for people planning to move stateside in the near future begins at 1 p.m. Thursday.

Facilitators will discuss the financial benefits associated with moving and provide a variety of useful resources. Permanent change-of-station orders are not necessary. Spouses are encouraged to attend. Reservations are required.

Party set for families

Families of those serving a remote assignment or who are deployed are invited to a back-to-school pool party 6-8 p.m. Aug. 13. Reservations required by Wednesday.

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Knob Noster R-VIII School District announces school bus routes

The district will begin the school year with the bus routes covering the streets and county roads indicated. There may be changes later as the student population changes. Pick-up times listed are for the first stop.
A = First Run B = Second Run C = Third Run

WHITEMAN AIR FORCE BASE TO KNOB NOSTER BUS ROUTES				
Grades	Bus Number	Driver	Approximate time for first pick up	Streets and locations covered
9-12 Stops:	1-A Int. Langley/McConnell bus shelter; 759, 845, 826 Westover Rd.; Int. Westover/March bus shelter; N. Carswell; Int. Titan Loop/N., Carswell bus shelter; TLF & Lodging at Forbes bus shelter; Int. Minuteman/Barksdale bus shelter; Houx/Selser bus shelter Int; Summit/Skybolt; 833 Summit.	D. Buzzanga	6:50 a.m.	McConnell, Langley, Westover, Travis, N. Carswell, Titan Loop, March, Forbes, Houx, Ellsworth, Selser, Dow, Minuteman, Altus, Mace,Skybolt, Summit
9-12 Stops:	4-A Int. Chennault/Marshall bus shelter; Int. Marshall/Kelly; Wright bus shelter; 850 Chennault; 758, 734 Post; Int. Earnhart and Post; Int. Post and Lindgerh; Int. Burge/Scott Dr.; Ints. Symington Ave. w/Bullard Manor, Scott Dr.; Libby Manor, Chapman Ct., and Law Manor.	P. Buzzanga	7 a.m.	Atlas, Marshall, Chennault, Kelly, McGuire, Wright, Post, Lindbergh,Earhart, Burge, Scott, Bullard, Ward, Blake, Libby, Chapman, Law
6-8 Stops:	2-A 707, 723 Lindbergh; 704 Earhart; 715 Post; Int. Burge/Scott Dr.; Ints. Symington Ave. w/Bullard Manor, Scott Dr., Libby Manor, Chapman Ct. and Law Manor.	R. Carnes	6:55 a.m.	Lindbergh, Earhart, Post, Burge, Scott, Bullard, Ward, Blake, Libby, Chapman, Law
6-8 Stops:	9-A Bus shelter Int. Chennault/Marshall; 850 Chennault; 743, 770 Post; Wright bus shelter; 820 McGuire; 822 Kelly; 831 Marshall.	J. Clarence	7:10 a.m.	Chennault, McGuire, Kelly, Marshall, Wright, Atlas
6-8 Stops:	12-A 806 Summit; Summit bus shelter; 920 Skybolt; 835 Summit; Int. Houx/Mace; Altus bus shelter; Houx and Minuteman; Int. Houx and Dow; Int. Houx and Ellsworth; Int. Houx and Forbes; youth center; child development center; Whiteman Inn.	B. Chaffin	7:20 a.m.	Forbes, Gray, Ellsworth, Summit, Skybolt, Mace, Houx, Altus, Minuteman, Selser, Dow, youth center, CDC, Whiteman Inn
6-8 Stops:	7-A Int. N. Carswell/Titan Loop bus shelter; Int. Travis and March; 709, 759, 829 Westover; Int. McConnell/Langley bus shelter; 828 Langley; 711, 724, 739 McConnell (temporay stop due to construction: Int. N. Carswell/Travis.)	M. Akers	7 a.m.	Titan Loop, Carswell, Travis, March, Westover, McConnell, Ramey, Langley <i>Streets and locations covered</i>
WHITEMAN ELEMENTARY BUS ROUTES				
Grades	Bus Number	Driver	Approximate time for first pick up	
K-5 Stops:	13-A 726, 714, 702 Earhart; 723, 747, 766 Post; Int. between 847 Chennault and 770 Post.	S. Cunningham	7:30 a.m.	Wright, Earhart Cir., Earhart Post, 835-862 Chennault
K-5 Stops:	13-B 831, shelter next to 805 Chennault, 817, 832, 846 Marshall; 831, 815 McGuire; 803 Atlas.	S. Cunningham	7:45 a.m.	Marshall, Kelly, McGuire, Atlas, 802-836 Chennault
K-5 Stops:	5-A 728, 710 Lindbergh; 701, 725, 755 Scott; Int. Bullard Manor/Symington Ave.; Ints. Symington w/Law Manor, Chapman Ct. and Blake Ridge.	K. Woods	7:25 a.m.	Lindbergh, Burge, Scott, Bullard, Ward, Law, Chapman, Blake, Libby
K-5 Stops:	5-B 814 Summit; Int. Summit/Skybolt Bus Shelter; 914, 919, 929 Skybolt; 833 Summit.	K. Woods	7:45 a.m.	Summit, Skybolt <i>Streets and locations covered</i>
KNOB NOSTER AND VICINITY, RURAL BUS ROUTES				
Grades	Bus Number	Driver	Approximate time for first pick up	
K-12 Stops:	4-B 404 Sunset; SE 971; SE 25; Lakewood Trailer Court (office); Garton’s Trailer Court; Country Kid’s Academy; 706 S. Washington	P. Buzzanga	7:20 a.m.	Sunset, SE 25, SE 971, Lakewood Trailer Ct.,Garton’s Trailer Ct. Country Kid’s Academy, Garton’s Tr. Ct.
K-12 Stops:	1-B 1602/4 8th St. Terrace; Int. Angus/6th St. Terrace; Ready, Set, Grow; Forest Trails; Deer Run (Int. 791 by dumpster).	D. Buzzanga	7:20 a.m.	Forest Trails, Deer Run, Forest Huntington Estates
K-8 Stops:	9-B Deerbrook; Apple Ridge; State Park office; Parkside (Div. Rd); Division; Summit and Dogwood; Int. Summit/Sunset; Int. Salem/McFee; City Park; 630 and between 612/614 Hillcrest; East Iny. Hillcrest/Sunset.	J. Clarence	7:25 a.m.	Deerbrook, Apple Ridge, State Park, SW Knob Noster
K-12 Stops:	17-A E 1301; Crystal Springs; SE 100; Villages at Whiteman; Int. SE 125/1171; 1190 SE 125; 1202 SE 125; 157 SE 1181; 148 SE 1171; 163 SE 1171.	R. Harms	7:05 a.m.	East Rural and Villages at Whiteman except SE 1151 and 1161 (Second run for take home).
K-12 Stops:	6-A FF Hwy. (N. of NE 175); NE 310, 1201, 500, 925 N. Hwy; E Hwy (East of 23 Hwy); NE 625, NE 1131, NE 400; NE 1011; NE 700 (East of 23 Hwy); NE 250; Rainbow Connection Day Care; E-W part of 23 Hwy N. of Knob Noster.	L. Vick	6:45 a.m.	Rural: Northeast of Knob Noster, Rainbow Connection, FF Hwy
K-12 Stops:	15-A SE Y Hwy (East of D); SE 1151, 450, 475, 725, 1251, 600, 1051; Villages 1151, 1161, and duplexes 172-182 1171; South 23 Hwy.;Rainbow Acres; Ne 75 West of D (except Knob Noster Trailor Ct).	D. Malizzi	6:55 a.m.	Rural Southeast, Villages 1151, 1161 and Duplexes 171-182, Rainbow Acres, NE 75 West of D, (except Knob Noster Trailer Ct.)
K-5 Stops:	17-B Shady Meadows at Monroe, Int. Adams/Lucas Streets, Marge’s Day Care and Chief’s Tr. Ct.; 107 S. Washington; 507 W. Workman.	R. Harms	7:35 a.m.	First run for take home: Shady Meadows Tr. Ct.; Marge’s Day Care and Chief’s Tr. Ct.; 507 W. Workman;107 S. Washington.
K-12 Stops:	8-A (West of D) SE 350, 951, 425, Y Hwy, SE 725, 600, 23 Hwy; Oak Grove Trailer Ct.;Patrick’s; Whiteman Trailer Ct. off Div. Rd.; Wooded Hills (SE 951).	H. Draper	7 a.m.	Rural South and Southwest, Oak Grove and Whiteman Trailer Cts., Wooded Hills
K-12 Stops:	18-A NE 200, 521, 400, 601, P Hwy; NE 250 (East of P); NE 501, Hwy. 50 and Division Rd. (West of Montserrat); NE 115 (Montserrat); SE 641, 591, State Park off DD.	G. Tull	6:50 a.m.	Rural: West and Northwest
K-12 Stops:	11-A NE 600, 621, 851; NE 700 (West of 23 Hwy); Valley City; NE 750; MM Hwy; NE 500 (West of 23); NE 900 (off MM); E Hwy (West of 23 Hwy); 23 Hwy (N. of E); NE 175 (West of MM).	D. Gilman	6:55 a.m.	Rural: North and Northwest
K-12 Stops:	7-B Knob Noster Trailer Ct.; NE 75 and West bound 50 Hwy East of D; Smith Parkway Apartments; 6th and NE 981; 7th and NE 981; 10th and NE 981; Int. 6th/old 23 Hwy; Town & Country Trailer Ct.	M. Akers	7:25 a.m.	Knob Noster Trailer Ct., NE 75 and West lane of Hwy. 50 east of D; Daviees Road; Knob Noster north of Hwy 50 to 23, N. Adams, Town & Country Trailer Ct.
K-12 Stops:	2-B East Lucas; SKV; East bound 50 Hwy. East of Knob Noster; Country Acres; NE 200; NE 175 (East of 23 Hwy).	R. Carnes	7:20 a.m.	Lucas Street, Country Acres, NE 175 (E. of 23), NE 200
K-5 Stops:	12-B From Knob Elem. to Whiteman Elem. Take home from WE to addresses in Knob Noster.	B. Chaffin	8:05 a.m.	Delivered to homes in Knob Noster starting at 3:35 p.m.
EARLY CHILDHOOD SPEC. ED: Bus 3 route will be arranged as children enroll based on their addresses and section.				
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Sports & Recreation

Outdoor Recreation 687-5565

Wall climbing class

Learn skills and safety procedures for climbing at the class 2-4 p.m. Saturday at outdoor recreation.

Family horseback adventure

Join outdoor recreation for a weekend at the Buck and Spurs Guest Ranch in Ava, Mo., 9:30 a.m. Aug. 27-3:30 p.m. Aug. 28. The trip includes horseback riding, arrow-head hunting, a visit to a civil war fort, swimming, fishing and campfires. Children must be over 7 to take part. The cost is \$100 per person which covers transportation, lodging, horseback riding, dinner on Aug. 27 and breakfast on Aug. 28. Extra money will be needed for snacks. Sign up at outdoor recreation by Aug. 14.

End of season pool party

Celebrate the end of the pool season with the final outdoor recreation pool party. The party starts 6 p.m. Aug. 12. There will be swimming, games, music and food. Sponsored in part by Speedway Chevrolet* and First community Bank.*

Fitness Center 687-5496

Dodgeball tournament

Take part in the annual Whiteman dodgeball tournament, 11a.m.-1 p.m. Aug. 16-19 in the eagle gym at the fitness center. Teams of six should sign up by Aug. 13 at the fitness center.

Coming soon equipment orientation

Learn proper use of the cardio and selectorized weight equipment at the fitness center. Call the fitness center for more information.

Tickets and Travel 687-5643

Kansas City Chiefs ticket lottery

The annual ticket lottery will take place at 4:30 p.m. Aug. 17. at Mission's End. The tickets cost \$75. Sign up at outdoor recreation by noon Aug. 16.

Kansas City Renaissance Festival

The annual renaissance festival begins Labor Day weekend in Bonner Springs, KS. Tickets will be available from information tickets and travel soon.

Mission's End 687-4422

Monthly club coin special

This month's club coin special is a pitcher of Budweiser*, Budweiser Light* or Miller Light* for just \$4 when purchased between 4-8 p.m. and a club coin is shown. To purchase a coin speak to a Mission's End staff member.

Karaoke

Karaoke nights will be held 9 p.m.-1 a.m. tonight and Aug. 19. Free for club members.

Stars and Strikes 687-5114

King and queen tournament

A couples tournament will take place from 12:30 p.m. Aug. 13. at the newly refurbished Stars and Strikes. The cost is \$24 per couple.

Community Activities

Arts and Crafts Center 687-5691

Auto skills class

A class to explain how to change disc brake pads correctly and safely will be held 4-5 p.m. Thursday at the auto skills center. Sign up by Wednesday.

Creative circles meeting

The next creative circles meeting will be held at 10 a.m. Aug. 20 at the arts and crafts center. Members can bring along a sample of their craft to share ideas with the group. New members are always accepted.

Summer sale

The arts and crafts center is having a huge end of season sale of selected shop merchandise. Come and browse the bargains all month.

Teen Center 687-5819

Meramec River trip

Teens can see Jesse James' hiding place in the famous Meramec caverns. After a guided tour of the caverns teens can swim in the river. The trip takes place 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Aug. 13. The cost is \$20 and teens should bring extra money for food.

Back to school bash

A teens-only event is planned for 7-10 p.m. Aug. 19 at the teen center. There will be movies, basketball, board games, karaoke and many other activities. The cost is \$5.

Youth Center 687-5586

Fall soccer registration

Youths interested in playing soccer with the youth center must hand in a completed registration pack by Aug. 15. Packs are available from the youth center 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday. Completed packs will be accepted 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Aug. 12 and noon-8 p.m. Aug. 15. The cost is \$30 for members and \$38 for nonmembers. Practices start late August and games begin in September. Call the youth center for further information.

Cheerleading camp

Learn chants, cheers and jumps at the youth center cheerleading camp. Taking place 3-5 p.m. Monday-Thursday at the youth center, the program will build teamwork and sportsmanship. The cost is \$10 for members and \$12 for nonmembers. Sign up now.

Community Center 687-5617

Missoula's Children's Theater

Come and support the children of Whiteman in the

musical production of "The Jungle Book." Performances are at 3 and 7 p.m. today at the youth center. Tickets are \$2, free for children under.

Madden video challenge

There will be a Madden video challenge competition for players over 16 2 p.m. Aug. 27 at the community center. The cost is \$2 and prizes will be awarded to the top three players.

Precocious pre-schoolers

Parents can bring a non-commercial photograph of their 3-5 year old, to the community center Monday-Friday for display. Photos will be anonymously voted on until Aug. 26. Prizes will be awarded for the three top scores. Child's name, date of birth, parent's name and phone number must be written on the back of the photograph.

Family Child Care 687-1180

Want a profitable home-based career?

Providers are needed to provide care for the following: evenings, weekends, swing shift workers, infants, special needs and mildly ill children. The Air Force is now offering a subsidy for providers who are willing to meet these critical needs. Providers who hold a standard license are subsidized \$125 a week per qualifying child. Providers with chronic health problems are accepted.

Family child care orientation class

Receive training to become a family child care provider 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Aug. 15-19. Providers with chronic health problems are accepted. Pick up a registration package from the family child care office by Wednesday.

Library 687-6217

Tracing genealogies

Learn how to use public records and online resources to trace ancestors and build a family tree. The class takes place 9:30-10:30 a.m. Aug. 25 at the library.

Veterinary Clinic 687-2667

Compulsory registering of pets

Pet owners who live in base housing must register their pets at the veterinary clinic within five days of moving in. Three pets per household are permitted in base housing. To register, bring current vaccination records and rabies certificate along to the vet clinic 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday or Friday or 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday.

Food & Fun

Royal Oaks 687-5573

Golf club demo day

Come and try Titleist and Cobra clubs and get advice from the professionals. noon-3 p.m. Aug. 12 at the Royal Oaks. Clubs can be ordered from the proshop.

Club house grand opening

The club house will be officially opened at 10 a.m. Aug. 15. The celebrations will last all day with games and competitions such as longest drive and putting accuracy. The fun continues with an 18-hole tournament starting at noon, sign up by Aug. 10. There will be great prizes for all the competitions supplied by Wal-Mart Sedalia* and Lee's Summit*, Sears Warrensburg*, Speedway Chevrolet*, First Community Bank*, Cheezteak Company*, Worlds of Fun*, University 8 Cinema*, Dairy Queen Warrensburg*, Sonic Knob Noster*, Bent and Dent Body Shop*, Bi-Low Country Mart*, USAA*, C & M Automotive* and the BX*

